

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 574
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Susie Sims, 1997 Ms. Senior Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly should pay tribute to those outstanding women who have reached the age of elegance, having earned high accolades and having brought honor and respect to their communities and Tennessee by means of their diligence and hard work; and

WHEREAS, Susie Sims of Dresden, Tennessee is one such remarkable lady, who due to her exemplary charm, grace and talent was named the 1997 Ms. Senior Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in June, Susie Sims represented our great state at the Ms. Senior America Pageant in Biloxi, Mississippi, where she received the Most Beautiful Evening Gown Award; and

WHEREAS, the Ms. Senior America Pageant is the world's premier pageant to search for a gracious lady who best embodies the dignity, maturity and inner beauty of all senior Americans; and

WHEREAS, Susie Sims exemplifies the pageant's philosophy that seniors are indeed the foundation of America, as well as being our most treasured resource, and that it is from their wealth of knowledge, experience and wisdom that the younger generation can draw; and

WHEREAS, born on April 14, 1935, Susie Sims was educated in the Dresden schools and attended the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

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WHEREAS, in 1956, Susie married Guilford Sims, and the two remained happily married until Mr. Sims' death in 1981; and

WHEREAS, she serves with alacrity and acuity as the Chief Deputy at the Weakley County Clerk's office; her diligence and hard work in this important position have been highly praised throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, Susie Sims participates in numerous community organizations, including the Democratic Party and the American Heart Association; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Sims is an active and devout member of the United Methodist Church in Dresden; and

WHEREAS, Susie Sims has received unwavering support and love from her two children, Anna and Lynn, and her three charming grandchildren, Kayla, Caroline and Connor; and

WHEREAS, for her grace, charm and cheerful demeanor in representing our state throughout the nation and the world, Susie Sims is truly worthy of praise from this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Susie Sims on being named 1997 Ms. Senior Tennessee and wish her every continued success in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.